



Winter PTAC

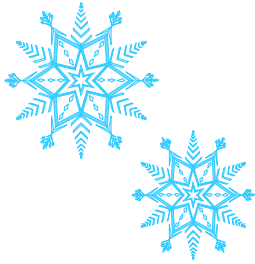
*Preschool Teachers Adventure
Conference*

Saturday, January 24, 2009

Featuring Workshops for
Early Childhood Educators,
Mother's Day Out Teachers,
Preschool Teachers,
& Directors

Sponsored by

*The Adventure Programs
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Houston, TX 77070
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*“Changing Lives for an
Eternity - one heart
at a time!”*



Working with children and their families is an important God-given task. Whether you work with infants & toddlers or preschoolers, in either a Christian or a secular setting, or you supervise people who do — you have the power to influence lives every day — “one heart at a time.”

Let us help educate and inspire you — fill your spirit & entertain you! It is our hope that you will leave Winter PTAC renewed in body and spirit — ready to have a positive impact on the lives of the children and families that you work with! Please join us!

Your Day at Winter PTAC 2009

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
8:00 am —8:45 am	Registration/Continental Breakfast
8:35 am — 8:50 am	Praise & Worship
9:00 am —9:50 am	Keynote Speaker — Debra Duncan
10:00 am —11:00 am	Session #1 Workshops
11:10 am —12:10 pm	Session #2 Workshops
12:20 pm —12:50 pm	Lunch for all participants
1:00 pm — 1:50 pm	Session #3 Workshops
2:00 pm — 3:00 pm	Footnote Speaker — Bob Smiley

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Summer PTAC July 21, 22 & 23, 2009



General Information

Winter PTAC — What Is It?

For those of you familiar with our Annual Preschool Teachers Adventure Conference held in the summer — we would like to introduce you to our newest concept — Winter PTAC! For over 11 years PTAC has been helping those in the field of Early Childhood Education keep their training current and their motivation strong during our 3-day summer ‘adventure!’ We sponsor a 1-day Winter version to serve those who missed training at the summer conference and/or those who would like a mid-year motivational ‘push’ to greet the New Year!

PTAC has gone “Green”.

What does that mean? We will not provide paper handouts for our workshops. Handouts will be available to download from our website: www.windwoodpc.org (click on the PTAC link). Some of our workshop presenters may bring their own handouts.

Different Tracks for Different Folks!

We offer workshops for Directors and Early Childhood Professionals. Directors have separate tracks to attend, while those who work in Mother’s Day Out and Preschool have different workshops to choose from during each session. We truly have something for everyone!

How is Winter PTAC Different?

Winter PTAC is a smaller version of its summer counterpart. Instead of three days — it runs only one. We will still have a Keynote and Footnote Speaker to motivate and inspire you! We provide a box lunch, which will be served in the gymnasium. There will be vendors at Winter PTAC.

What is the Cost of Winter PTAC?

The cost for our 1-day conference is \$50.00. Fees include admission to speakers, workshops, and a box lunch.

Do I Get Training Hours/CEU’s for Winter PTAC?

Yes, if you attend the *entire day’s activities* you are eligible for 6 training hours. You may apply for .6 CEU’s through Tomball College at a cost of \$20.00.

What is the Deadline for Registration?

The deadline for registration is January 16, 2009. Registration fees are NOT refundable, but ARE TRANSFERRABLE!

Is Childcare Available?

Winter PTAC has no childcare available on the premises. Participants should arrange for their own childcare.

Questions?

Should you have any questions about Winter PTAC, please call The Adventure Preschool at 281-378-4080.



Featured Speakers

Keynote Speaker

9:00-9:50 am

Deborah Duncan

When you look at how Deborah Duncan grew up, it's no surprise that she ended up in the communication business. Her early years were spent in Taiwan and Japan. "Because my dad was in the military, we were constantly moving. I went to five different elementary schools! I tried to find out everything I could about my "new friends" the first week I was there." That's how Deborah honed her interviewing skills! Deborah attended The University of Texas in Austin and received her degree in radio/TV/film. She started working in radio and eventually moved into television. Deborah then moved to New York City to co-host a talk show for Lifetime Television. While doing the show, she suffered a life-threatening brain aneurysm. "I got so many letters from people who were praying for me, people who thanked me for somehow making their lives better by relaying information through our show. I got to hear what people would have said at my funeral and lived to appreciate it. This whole experience reaffirmed my faith in God, in people, and in myself. I love life! As long as I'm alive, there are no really bad days!" Deborah currently anchors the morning show at KHOU-TV.



2:00-3:00 pm

Footnote Speaker

Bob Smiley

Bob Smiley is an American Christian comedian and author who lives near Houston, Texas. He has been a stand-up comedian for more than 10 years and has performed all over the United States, as well as internationally. He has opened for such groups as Newsboys, Mercy Me, Third Day, Switchfoot, Toby Mac, and Audio Adrenaline. Bob has recently authored a book entitled, Growing Up Super Average: The Adventures of Average Boy. The book is a comedy/devotional book for Middle School kids using humor to help them learn to deal with the top 25 problems kids that age face. He has also written articles for Clubhouse Magazine. Bob graduated from Abilene Christian University in West Texas. He majored in Elementary Education, thinking the classes would be easy. "After all," he says, "I already knew most of the alphabet!"

Session 1

10:00 am—11:00 am

Handling Suspected Intoxicated Parents and Custody Issues

Tym Smith

Legal steps and confidentiality are explored in this important training on how to protect your program and yourself from suspected intoxicated parents, as well as custody issues involving the children in your care.

Audience: Directors

Functional Area: Professionalism, Program Management

Assistant Directors — Open Forum

Janet Johnson, Debbie Atnip, Bonnie Terpstra

Calling all Assistant Directors! Come join this open forum and sharing time with others in your same position from all over the Houston area! Your moderators will be the group of Assistant Directors from The Adventure School!

Audience: Assistant Directors

Functional Area: Professionalism, Program Management

Mother Goose & Her Literacy Lessons for Toddlers

Susan MacHugh

See how thematic songs, stories and drama enhance literacy awareness for young children. Explore how to use puppets, props and nursery rhymes to encourage language development in the classroom and on the playground!

Audience: MDO

Functional Area: Literacy, Science, Math & Art

Bible Time for Toddlers

Lena Scholten

One of the top questions teachers ask is, “How and is it possible to teach toddlers about God?” In this class we will discuss what is age & stage appropriate for teaching toddlers about the love of God.

Audience: MDO

Functional Area: Prof. Prac., Methods & Curriculum

Observations

Naomi Black

Learn how to conduct observations in your early childhood classroom. This workshop will focus on the ‘how, when, & why’ we do observations.

Audience: Preschool

Functional Area: Guidance

A to Z in the Classroom

Kathy Atnip

Come and learn about inexpensive and cost-effective ideas to use in your classroom! Kathy loves to share — so be sure to take notes — you might even want to bring your camera!

Audience: Preschool

Functional Area: Prof. Prac., Methods & Curriculum

Time Priority & Management: Effects in the Classroom & Life

Cindy Pirtle

You woke up late, your shirt isn’t ironed, you spilled coffee all over yourself on the way to work, and the low fuel light is blinking at you. Now you walk into a classroom with 15 active preschoolers. You may love kids and be a great teacher, but after this kind of morning — exactly how effective will you be? Work impacts home and home impacts work. This class will share suggestions for time and priority management, allowing you to be the great teacher you know you can be.

Audience: MDO or Preschool

Functional Area: Prof. Prac., Methods & Curriculum

Errorless Learning — Who Knew?

Marianne Gibbs

Teachers will receive a fresh perspective on an effective teaching strategy for all children that minimizes errors while learning. Watch children gain in confidence and their love of learning as we teach them how to learn errorlessly!

Audience: Preschool

Functional Area: Prof. Prac., Methods & Curriculum

Sensory Art & Play

Kristi Lawler — Discount School Supply

This is a hands-on session where participants will learn why it is so important for children to be involved in “Messy Art”. Participants will be able to identify specific developmental goals achieved through sensory play and art.

Audience: Preschool

Functional Area: Prof. Prac., Methods & Curriculum

Just Winging It — Science

John Sivadon

If you don’t have a “science mind” and experiments aren’t really your thing — come and learn easy, innovative ways to introduce science into your classroom. This is science made so easy that it will look like you’re just ‘winging it’!

Audience: Preschool

Functional Area: Literacy, Science, Math & Art

Puppets: Another Teacher in the Classroom

Lynette Tello

This training will provide educators with a variety of ideas and suggestions for the use of teacher-made, child-made, and manufactured puppets in the early childhood classroom.

Audience: Preschool

Functional Area: Methods & Curriculum

Session 2

11:10 am—12:10 pm

Is All of This Documentation Really Necessary?

Cindy Pirtle

Are you a little overwhelmed by the amount of student documentation you are required to fill out? Wait — ARE you filling out the required documentation? What's the big deal about teachers having their cell phone on in the classroom? Are all the rules really necessary? This workshop will explain the legal need for adequate documentation, rules, and supervision in classrooms and on school grounds.

Audience: Directors

Functional Area: Professionalism & Program Management

Financial Open Forum

Janice Melcher

Finances in a school can easily become a nightmare — come and share with your fellow early childhood office professionals the ins and outs of private school finances.

Audience: Assistant Directors/Finance

Functional Area: Professionalism & Program Management

Tickles and Bounces

Naomi Black

Toddlers are 'special' — they require special people to work with them! Learn how to create experiences for toddlers that will help them to develop a love of learning that will last a lifetime!

Audience: MDO

Functional Area: Child Growth & Development

Write Out of the Box

Marianne Gibbs

Hands-on session to increase attendee's knowledge of fine motor development as it relates to children's future handwriting abilities. Easy to implement activities are discussed along with ways of improving students' future handwriting efficiency.

Audience: Preschool

Functional Area: Methods and Curriculum

Health & Safety in the Classroom

Tym Smith

From disinfecting to crisis plans, the participants of this session will go through a typical day in the classroom, uncovering the dangers that face both the children and adults in our programs. Common practices and routines are discussed so that illness and accidents are a thing of the past. **Audience:** MDO or Preschool

Functional Area: Health & Safety

Math Monkey's Magical Moments for 3's

Susan MacHugh

Learn how to create a developmentally appropriate math program for your classroom. See how to use props and music to teach math concepts and capture a young child's attention and interest.

Audience: MDO/Preschool

Functional Area: Methods & Curriculum

A-Z in the Classroom

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Come and learn about inexpensive and cost-effective ideas to use in your classroom! Kathy loves to share — so be sure take notes — you might even want to bring your camera!

Audience: MDO

Functional Area: Methods & Curriculum

Make & Take

Becky Brown

Join Becky for a rousing Make & Take session! Learn and try new techniques — and have an example to take back to your classroom!

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Oodles of Art

Kristi Lawler — Discount School Supply

This creative and fun "Make & Take" workshop introduces oodles of creative new art materials including Bio-Color and other unique paints & collage materials.

Audience: MDO or Preschool

Functional Area: Literacy, Science, Math & Art

Teaching Wisdom & Virtue

Rev. John Sears

This workshop will help you to define ways to teach and model wisdom and virtue in your early childhood classroom

Audience: Preschool

Functional Area: Methods and Curriculum

LUNCH

12:20—12:50pm

Session 3

1:00 pm — 1:50 pm

I Have a Legal Question — What If . . .

Cindy Pirtle

Directors, now is your opportunity! Ask your OWN questions that might require that special ‘legal’ touch! This workshop will generally address various scenarios and the proposed legal solutions. *Please send your questions and fact situations in PRIOR to the conference. The speaker will choose from those submitted. Send questions, along with your name & school to:* michelle@windwoodpc.org

Audience: Directors

Functional Area: Professionalism, Program Management

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Susan MacHugh

Learn how to create a developmentally appropriate program for your toddler classroom. See how to use props and music to teach early math concepts and capture a toddler’s attention and interest.

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Functional Area: Literacy, Science, Math & Art

Numbers are Neat!

Kathy Atnip

Learn cost-effective (cheap!) ways to bring the world of numbers and math into your classroom. Bring your camera — I love to share my ideas!

Audience: MDO

Functional Area: Methods & Curriculum

Tools for Effective Parent Communication

Naomi Black

This workshop will outline ways to effectively communicate with the parents of the children in your program. There are lots of different ways — using various media — to get your point across!

Audience: MDO/Preschool

Functional Area: Families

Science & the Young Child

Kristi Lawler — Discount School Supply

This fun, hands-on workshop will help you set up and implement a hands-on science center in your classroom, as well as introduce small group activities.

Audience: Preschool

Functional Area: Literacy, Science, Math & Art

Supervision

Tym Smith

This detailed supervision workshop will go over Texas licensing guidelines on supervision, will introduce the staff to a 5 point supervision checklist, and will explore multiple ways to track attendance so that children are always accounted for.

Audience: MDO and Preschool

Functional Area: Professional Practice & Methods

Bible Time for Preschoolers

Lena Scholten

Discover creative and developmentally appropriate ways to present Bible truths to preschoolers — and make Bible Time come alive!

Audience: MDO or Preschool

Functional Area: Methods & Curriculum

Write Out of the Box, Part 2

Marianne Gibbs

Get more ideas on how to tune fine motor development in young children! Hands-on session to increase attendee's knowledge of fine motor development as it relates to children's future handwriting abilities. Easy to implement activities are discussed along with ways of improving students' future handwriting efficiency.

Audience: Preschool

Functional Area: Methods and Curriculum

Balloon Animals

Rev. John Sears

This workshop will teach you how to make all sorts of balloon animals — for use with stories, circle time, etc. — just for fun!

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January 24, 2009

Registration Form

Please Print!

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Home Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ Phone _____


Email Address _____

School or Organization _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ Phone _____

Position (circle one): Director/Admin. Staff Preschool Teacher MDO Teacher

 **TOMBALL COLLEGE** I would like to obtain .6 CEU's from Tomball College for my attendance at PTAC. I understand that my PTAC Registration Form, CEU Form, and payment of \$20.00 must reach The Adventure Preschool by NLT January 16, 2009.

_____ Yes _____ No

Registration Deadline is January 16, 2009, or until full.
*****Registration fees are NON-REFUNDABLE,
but are transferable*****

CEU Payment: \$ _____

Conference Payment: \$ **50.00**

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Send completed form(s) and make checks payable to:
The Adventure Preschool
10555 Spring Cypress, Houston, TX 77070

Questions may be directed to The Adventure Preschool at 281-378-4080.

PTAC Registration Page

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**Winter 2009 SUBMIT REGISTRATION FORMS TO
ADVENTURE TRAINING**

- Ms.
- Mrs.
- Mr.

_____ Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____

_____ Address Number & Street _____ E-mail Address _____

_____ City, State, Zip Code _____ County of Residence _____

Tomball College has permission to use my e-mail address to send information on upcoming classes. ___ Yes ___ No

New Address Change? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	New Phone Number Change? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Social Security Number _____

Date of Birth _____

Gender: Male Female

Ethnic: American Indian Asian/Pacific Islander Black Hispanic Non-Resident Alien White Other

Residence:

(Code 2N) I currently reside in the state of Texas. _____ Yes ___ No

(Code 5N) I currently reside in another state other than Texas. State _____ Yes ___ No

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Registration #	Course Name	Course #	Campus	Start Date	Course Fee
56044	PTAC Winter Conference	CCDEC 1103203	TC000 Offsite	1/24/09	\$20
TOTAL FEE					\$20

Make payment to Adventure Training and turn in with your Winter PTAC 2009 Registration Form.

For Office Use Only

ID# _____

Entered By _____

Date _____

Tomball College CEU Application

Please send this completed application form & payment to:

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Conference Location

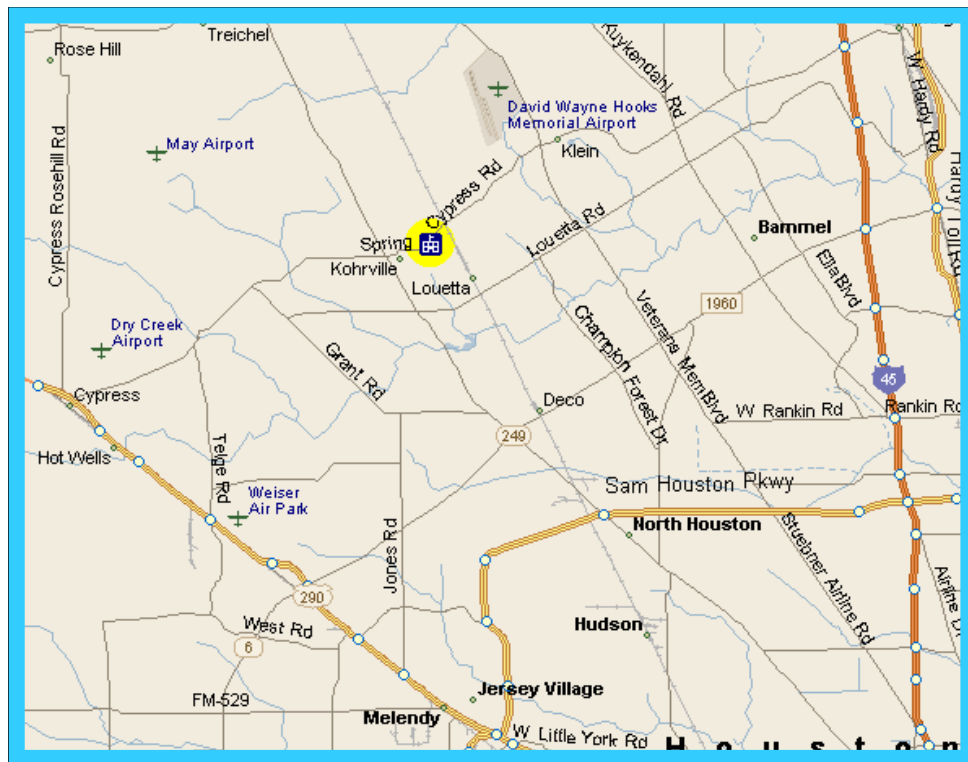
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Directions

The easiest approach to our facility is to follow State Highway 249 (also called the Tomball Parkway) west towards Tomball. Take the Spring Cypress Road exit and turn right on Spring Cypress. Windwood Presbyterian Church is about one mile down on the right.

